



CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA) UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) REQUEST TRANSMITTAL

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This is a request for filing a continuation application under 37 CFR § 1.53(d) of prior application Serial No. 09/031,326, filed on February 26, 1998, entitled PARAMETER POPULATION OF CELLS OF A HIERARCHICAL SEMICONDUCTOR STRUCTURE VIA FILE RELATION.

The above-identified prior application in which no abandonment of, or termination of, proceedings has occurred, is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this request for a CPA. Please use all the contents of the prior application file wrapper, including the drawings, as the basic papers for the new application. (37 CFR 1.53(b) must be used for continuation-in-part applications or for applications where the prior application is not to be abandoned.)

1. <u>X</u>	Enter ti applica	he amendment previously filed on <u>May 31, 2001</u> under 37 CFR 1.116, but unentered, in the prior tion.
2	A Preli	minary Amendment (pages) is enclosed.
3	This ap	oplication is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 CFR 1.53(d)(4).
	a	DELETE the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:
	b	The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.
4	A new	power of attorney is enclosed.
5	Inform	ation Disclosure Statement is enclosed.
	a	Form(s) 1449
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6.		Small	Entity	Status:
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- a. __ A small entity statement is enclosed.
- b. __ A small entity statement was filed in the prior nonprovisional application and such status is still proper and desired.
- c. __ Is no longer claimed.
- 7. X A check in the amount of \$880.00 is attached to pay the filing fee.
- 8. X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit overpayments or charge any fees set forth in 37 CFR 1.16 through 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.
- 9. X A petition for extension of time in the prior application is enclosed along with a check in the amount of \$780.00 to pay the extension fee.

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